

REMARKS

Examination of the present divisional application filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is respectfully requested.

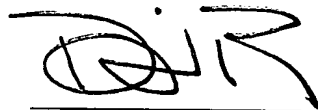
The present application is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 10/127,613 (the "parent application"), filed on April 23, 2002. In the present preliminary amendment, Applicant has amended the specification to cross-reference the parent application. Applicants have also made other amendments to the specification through this preliminary amendment, and assert that these amendments add no new subject matter.

The Examiner should note that the present application includes original claims 1-3 and 7-9, with the claims including amendments as made herein. Original claims 4-6 and 10-16 have been canceled.

In view of the above remarks, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance. A prompt notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Although no additional fees are believed to be due, permission is hereby given to charge any unforeseen fees to deposit account 50-1147.

Respectfully submitted,



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